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## BLUFF IS CALLED AND THE LIGHTS ARE STILL GOING

City Electrician Brown of Calgary  
Tells Funny Story—Could It  
Be Funnier?

That the liquidators of the Alberta Electric Co., will close down the electric light plant of the town immediately, dismantle the whole system, sell the wires, the transformers, etc., etc., and "junk" the whole outfit unless the town council submit to the shutting of the plant at 12 o'clock midnight or else submit some alternative plan to make the plant pay for the liquidation, was the threat made by City Electrician Brown of Calgary at the town council on Monday night.

Mr. Brown in a learned pronunciation talked peak heads and off peak heads to the town fathers and at one stage of the game he thought he had them going, but somebody would shift uneconomically in his chair and the fireworks were off again.

The proposition of Mr. Brown was to the effect that, appearing on behalf of the liquidators, he could tell the council that it was not economically feasible to operate the plant as it is now run, and the only possible manner in which it would be economically feasible was with the co-operation of the council to permit the closing of the plant at 12 o'clock. Unless the liquidators were granted this privilege, without providing, the whole thing would be "junked."

The plant, he said, was lost in when the understanding was that there was a population of 100, but now the population had diminished and the revenue of the plant diminished with the population.

Geo. Travis pointed out that although the population had diminished, yet it was a fact that perhaps more house-holders were using electricity today than when the population was greater. He also wanted to know why the plant would not pay when the rate was three times that of Calgary. It was then that Brown started off his peak head fireworks, but they failed to stampede the council. Mr. Brown even went so far as to blame the Lord for supplying cheap power to Calgary and leaving Bassano out in the cold.

Well the upshot of the whole thing was that the Council considered the thing a huge bluff and unofficially told Mr. Brown and his liquidator who accompanied him, that they were "off" and "junk" their stuff if they wanted to as they could not submit to having the light cut off at the time when the streets needed them most.

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Then the Council talked among themselves and decided to see their lawyers as to whether it would be legally possible for the liquidators to incur expenses to many customers by doing as they threatened.

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Frustrated in this respect Connolly made another advance when he wanted to know what in the world the town engineer was doing with all his time. Travis told Connolly that the man was awfully busy but that was not definite enough for Connolly, so he succeeded in getting a motion through that Murgatroy leave a notation at the town hall when he left it for any job. Connolly objected to coming to the town with a fine comb when he wanted the engineer to do some little work for his committee.

Mayor Flanagan brought up the question of reckless motor driving. "It doesn't matter if these fellows break their own necks," he said, "but it would be awful if some pedestrian should get killed." The town solicitor's representative decided that this was regulated

## PROMINENT SPEAKERS AT IRRIGATION CONVENTION



1. Hon. Duncan Marshall, Minister of Agriculture for Alberta; 2. Premier Sifton of Alberta; 3. Hon. W. J. Roche, Minister of Interior for the Dominion; 4. Hon. W. R. Ross, Minister of Lands, British Columbia; 5. Hon. W. Scott, Minister of Agriculture for British Columbia; 6. Hon. W. Mothewell, Minister of Agriculture, Saskatchewan.

under the Motor Vehicle Act and the matter was dropped.

The school trustees asked for \$500 for payment of salaries and will get it when funds are available.

J. S. Barker sent in his letter of resignation as auditor, which was accepted and Harry Ford was appointed in his place.

P. L. Naimith, chief of the Natural Resources Dept. of the C. P. R. at Calgary presented a map of the town to the Council and will in the end be thanked by letter for same.

The Western Municipal News offered from 10 to 15 per cent. discount if accompanied him, that they were "off" and "junk" their stuff if they wanted to as they could not submit to having the light cut off at the time when the streets needed them most.

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## BRING IN YOUR HORSES

The French remount colonnades will be in Bassano, Nov. 20th, for the purchase of cavalry, light and heavy artillery horses.

Animals must come up to the following qualifications:

Cavalry and light and heavy artillery horses.

Weights desired: 950 to 1200 pounds for cavalry, 1200 pounds and over for artillery.

Height: 15 hands and over.

Age: Between 5 and 10 years. It is a waste of time to bring in four year olds.

Color: Any color for artillery, any color but white for cavalry.

Conformation: Horses with strong, straight backs, long crops and deep bodies are preferred to the opposite kind.

Soundness: Animals with split points, tender feet, swollen tendons, broken or thick wind or defective eyes are not wanted. If otherwise seriously sound they will pass.

Manner of showing: All animals will be examined first on the halter, standing. Their eyes, feet, joints, conformation and height will be inspected. They will afterwards be examined first at a walk, then at a trot with the halter. Artillery horses will then be shod. A saddle horse may be tried with this purpose. Cavalry horses may be ridden. Artillery horses will then be shod. A saddle horse may be tried with this purpose. Cavalry horses may be ridden. Artillery horses will then be shod.

Caution: When halter breaking do not cut the horse's mouth, as he is likely to strike when his teeth are being examined by a veterinarian, and a strike is very objectionable. Do not cut or burn his nostrils by using or otherwise, because this will render him susceptible to blood poisoning while in the care on the long journey to the coast. It also prevents him from showing to the best advantage, and may be the cause of his being rejected when he otherwise would have been accepted.

Prices: Cavalry, \$60 to \$115; light artillery, \$125 to \$135; heavy artillery, \$145 to \$165.

## HE'S A DANDY

The Bassano Mail last week printed a splendid group photo of local men in charge of the Irrigation Convention. In the group appears the picture of W. G. Boyd, chairman of finance committee. Mr. Boyd is well known in High River, having been a member of the Union Bank staff here for some years. — High River Times

The Bassano Mail in conjunction with the Western Standard of Calgary will issue a special proclamation number inviting the people of Alberta and Western Canada to the Irrigation Convention to be held here Nov. 23 to 25.

This issue will exploit Bassano and its various resources. It will be replete with pictorial illustrations of the representative men of the town.

The co-operation of the business interests are necessary for the proper exploitation of this number.

## OUR ROLL OF HONOR

Following is the preliminary official Roll of Honor of men who have enlisted from the town of Bassano in the Overseas Expeditionary forces, and is subject to correction or revision.

Any person noting any error or omission will confer a favor by notifying C. B. R. Bond at the town hall if of the same in order that the necessary corrections may be inserted in next week's paper.

Amzell, Chas., 82nd Batt.  
Barker, J. S., 82nd Batt.  
Bendon, Chas., 10th. French Dr. Service.  
Bennett, Jas., 3rd. 31st Batt.  
Brindley, Robert, 1st Corp. 3rd C.M.R.  
Bromley, Thos., 3rd C.M.R.  
Cameron, W., 3rd. Can. Eng.  
Castagnoli, L., Italian Forester  
Chapman, Hugh H., 3rd. 82nd Batt.  
Coal, A. J. H., 3rd. 82nd Batt.  
Coulson, James, 3rd. 31st Batt.  
Dyer, E. Arnold, 10th. Inf. Shop. (Killed in action)

Eggo, F. T. 6th. 8th. Battery, C.F.A.  
Fairweather, Alex., 3rd. 10th Batt.  
Ferguson, John, 10th. 3rd. Batt.  
Garland, E., 3rd. Can. Eng.  
Gill, Gordon, 3rd. Can. Eng.  
Gray, R. T., 3rd. 82nd Batt.  
Hargy, J. W., 10th. 3rd. 31st Batt.  
Hanna, Robt., 3rd. 82nd Batt.  
Hall, H. 3rd. C.M.R.  
Hill, Cecil, 3rd. 10th Batt. (Killed in action)

Hill, Stanley, 3rd. 10th Batt. (Killed in action)  
Hobbs, S. A., 3rd. A.V.C.  
Isaac, Charles, 3rd. 31st Batt.  
John, Wm., 3rd. 10th Batt.  
Johnson, Oswald, 3rd. 82nd Batt.  
Kinahly, Merritt, 3rd. 3rd. Field Amb.  
Laramy, J. H., 3rd. 82nd Batt.  
Mitchell, C. T., 3rd. Can. Eng.  
Munich, L. E., 3rd. 5th Batt.  
Myers, Robert, 3rd. 3rd C.M.R.  
Myles, Magnus, 3rd. 31st Batt.  
Owen, Doberek, 3rd. 82nd Batt.  
Pence, Fred, 3rd. 31st Batt.  
Pence, H. 3rd. 3rd. Grenadier Guards (reservist)

Pulley, Thos., 3rd. 31st Batt.  
Pence, H. 3rd. 3rd. 10th Batt.  
Ranshaw, A., 3rd. 5th Batt.  
Rivets, John, 3rd. 3rd. 31st C.M.R.  
Risher, Douglas, 3rd. 10th Batt.  
Risher, John, 3rd. 3rd. C.F.C.I.  
Ruse, Howe, 3rd. 31st Batt.  
Sanderson, F. G., 3rd. 82nd Batt.  
Shaw, Geo., 3rd. 10th. A.V.C.  
Smith, John, 3rd. 15th Batt.  
Snow, James, 3rd. 10th. 3rd. 31st Batt.  
Stewart, Raymond, 3rd. 3rd. 31st Batt.  
Thompson, Jm., 3rd. 3rd. 31st Batt.  
Wilson, Len, 3rd. Can. Eng.

## GREAT INTEREST IN CONVENTION OF THIS MONTH

Many Entries Already Made For  
Exhibition in Connection With  
the Convention

Interest in the Western Canada Irrigation convention increases every day, and within three weeks of the opening date there are many entries made for the exhibition and many intimations of acceptance by the speakers.

Thomas Donaille, acting weed and seed commissioner for the Department of Agriculture of Saskatchewan, writes from Regina: "I will most certainly be with you at the convention if my work can be arranged to leave it for a few days."

T. M. Tweedie, M. L. A., president of the Southern Alberta Patriotic Fund, has been granted 20 minutes on the programme of the convention on the opening morning to make a patriotic address.

Every day the names of men prominent in affairs of this Province are being included in the list of those desirous of taking part in the forthcoming convention.

A feature of the opening session will be patriotic songs by well known singers who are volunteering their services.

There is a possibility that Dr. Elwood Mead of the University of California, formerly in charge of Irrigation for the government of Australia, will accept the Association's invitation to be present in Bassano and address the convention.

With President James Speckmann and Vice-President S. S. Daughan of the United Farmers of Alberta at the convention the farmers of the province will be well represented.

## WE MISSED OUR GUESS

In the late summer The Mail predicted that the output of Bassano Colony would be in the neighborhood of 200,000 bushels of all kinds of grain. This was a rough estimate based on the average in crop and the appearance of the standing fields.

In common with all other localities, however, the threshing machine is telling a much better and a longer tale. Based on the threshing returns of L. C. Bond, who in company with three other machines has been busy in this vicinity it is now estimated that the actual yield will be between 250,000 and 280,000 bushels.

Mr. Bond estimates that he has threshed at least 70,000 bushels and with the other machines doing equally as well it can easily be gathered how this estimate is arrived at. Threshing is about completed in the Colony district.

is not immodest, though it deals with bare facts and results.

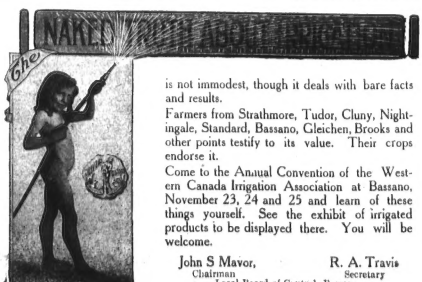
Farmers from Strathmore, Tudor, Cluny, Nightingale, Standard, Bassano, Glench, Brooks and other points testify to its value. Their crops endorse it.

Come to the Annual Convention of the Western Canada Irrigation Association at Bassano, November 23, 24 and 25 and learn of these things yourself. See the exhibit of irrigated products to be displayed there. You will be welcome.

John S. Mavor,  
Chairman

R. A. Travis,  
Secretary

Local Board of Control, Bassano.









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P. W. STONE, Editor

## WHAT STORY NEXT?

City Electrician Brown of Calgary appeared before the Town Council on Monday night on behalf of the liquidators of the Alberta Electric Co. and wanted the Town to submit to the proposition of cutting out the light service at 12 o'clock at night. This was, he suggested, merely a war measure and a method to make the plant pay.

It appears this man Brown has been before the Council several times before, and at his every appearance he has had a different story to tell. At one time, we are led to believe, he appeared in an attempt to sell the plant to the town, and his story then was that the plant was a regular gold mine or a mint factory. Today it is merely a junk heap.

It is little wonder then that in the face of these different stories that Brown has to tell, that the Council considered it as so much buncombe and treated it as such, and the liquidators would do better the next time they send him down to leave him at home, as with all his suave manner and verbosity he is most unconvincing, and has apparently won out his welcome at the Council board.

Brown's proposition is, summing it up in a few words, to give the town the very least possible service at the same price as it is now paying for the satisfactory service it is getting. In other words he says "We'll give you just what we want to give you (if you will stand for it) and you give us whatever amount we want for this service."

Mr. Brown had a side kick with him who represented the liquidators. This man would see that the plant was kept running under the new arrangements, provided it paid. And yet when asked whether the plant paid last year, last month or was paying now, he frankly admitted he did not know. In fact he seemed to know nothing about the plant at all. His claim was that the books did not tell—which claim McCaugherty, the manager, refuted.

This side kick of Brown's had better get back to Calgary as quickly as he can and send down next time a man who knows his business, and one sufficiently well informed on his subject to talk intelligently about it. Send someone who wants something and knows why he wants it. He and Brown are good running mates and the Council sized them up rightly when their buncombe was treated as so much bluff.

## ARE YOU A PIKER?

The war is now in its second year. Many have gone to the colors who have left behind them wives and families dependent upon them—not because they wished to escape the duties thus devolving upon them—but purely and simply from the standpoint of duty to their country. Their country is their first consideration and their family next, because the love of country is most dominantly inherent in man, and upon the fate of the Empire depends the future comfort and safety of their families. Examples of this sacrifice are not lacking even in our own little community.

There are, however, single men with nobody dependent upon them who will not fight, and a few, it is true, who are so unfortunately situated that they cannot fight. It devolves upon those who will not fight or who cannot fight to care for the dependents of those who have forsaken everything and gone to the front because those who could and would not and those who would and could not remain at home.

Those who would go and cannot we feel sure

are willing to do their share in caring for the dependents, and surely those who will not fight will be equally as willing to do their "little bit"

This is a man's war, a war that none but the able-bodied and physically strong can be of the best service to the Empire, and men and more men of this class must be had. And if the single men won't fight the married men must.

It devolves upon those who stay at home to see that the dependents of the men at the front are properly cared for. The Canadian Patriotic Fund is appealing for help for the dependents. It must have the funds as it has voluntarily assumed the obligation to care for them, and it must get these funds from the stay-at-homes.

You are a stay-at-home from some cause or other. Are you going to be a piker and dodge your obligation? Fight or pay!

## RECKLESS DRIVING

Unless some of the motor car drivers in town are a little less reckless in their run through the streets and the turning of corners, there is liable to be something doing in town some of these days.

Mayor Flanagan brought the question of reckless driving up at the Council meeting on Monday night and asked the question as to whether it was permissible to pass a bylaw regulating this traffic, assuring the Council that he had seen a driver going around McKee's corner that day at the rate of at least 25 miles per hour.

This traffic is regulated by the Motor Vehicles Act of the Province and while the Town's Act may provide in a manner for the regulation of this traffic, nothing inconsistent with the Provincial Act can be enacted. This means that the traffic is permitted at 20 miles per hour on streets and 10 miles at corners.

Provided the Provincial Act is lived up to this regulation should suffice. But it is not lived up to and everybody knows it, and some day some reckless driver will be brought to his senses by some terrible accident. It is up to the authorities to see that chances of any such accident is averted by the strict adherence to the law in that respect.

Girls dressed up in boys' clothing were the Halloween spoofs this year. The editor regrets very much that he had to go to bed early that night and so missed the fun.

At the Council meeting on Monday night City Electrician Brown and his liquidator sang a solo entitled, "Let The Lower Lights Keep Burning."

This year there are some immense yields of grains, vegetables, etc., on non-irrigated as well as irrigated areas, and farmers in this district are respectfully urged to make as liberal exhibits at the forthcoming irrigation convention as possible. Don't say "oh well there be plenty of exhibits anyway," but take it home to yourself and do your share to make the exhibition a success.

The French remount commission will be here Nov. 20th for the purpose of purchasing cavalry horses. Read the descriptions required carefully as to height and conformation and save yourself the trouble of bringing in animals that will be turned down. The horses must be 15 hands or over, and not less than 5 years of age.

Apparently Electrician Brown thinks the Town Council would have enjoyed a smutty yarn better than the one he gave them last Monday. His parting shot to the Council was "I am sorry I didn't have a dirty story to tell you, but then I couldn't think of one."

I wonder if he meant that for a compliment. The liquidators are surely not very resourceful if they don't keep their stories on tap for Brownie to spring on unsuspecting Town Councils. This reminds, however, was quite excusable as Mr. Brown's funny story was quite humorous enough if he had only cut it short enough for the Aldermen to see the point.

It is rumored that City Electrician Brown will shortly make a lecture tour of the Province. His subject will be "peak loads or no peak loads," with a smutty yarn here and there for diversion.

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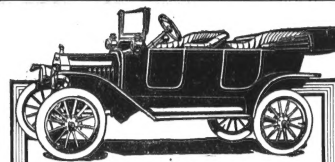
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No speedometer included in this year's equipment; otherwise cars are fully equipped.

ROY SMITH, Dealer



## SYNOPSIS OF COAL MINING REGULATIONS.

COAL mining rights of the Dominion, in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the Yukon Territory and a portion of the Province of British Columbia, may be leased for a term of twenty-one years at an annual rental of \$1 an acre. Not more than 2,500 acres will be leased to one applicant.

Application for a lease must be made by the applicant in person to the Agent or Sub-Agent of the district in which the rights applied for are situated.

In surveyed territory the land must be described by sections, or legal subdivisions of sections, and in unsurveyed territory the tract applied for shall be staked out by the applicant himself.

Each application must be accompanied by a fee of \$5 which will be refunded if the rights applied for are not available but not otherwise. A royalty shall be paid on the merchantable output of the mine at the rate of five cents per ton.

The person operating the mine shall furnish the Agent with sworn returns, accounting for the full quantity of merchantable coal mined and pay the royalty thereon. If the coal mining rights are not being operated, such returns should be furnished at least once a year.

The lease will include the coal mining rights only, but the lessee may be permitted to purchase whatever available surface rights may be considered necessary for the working of the mine at the rate of \$10.00 an acre.

For full information application should be made to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to any Agent or Sub-Agent of Dominion Lands.

W. W. COBY, Deputy Minister of the Interior.  
N.B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for.—3472.

## SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH WEST LAND REGULATIONS

THE sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years old who has homesteaded a quarter-section of the land in each of three years after entering homesteaded land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta, Applicant must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-Agency to be made at any Dominion Lands Agency (but not Sub-Agency), on certain conditions.

Duties—Six months residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live on the five mile miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 80 acres, on certain conditions. A habitable house is required except where residence is performed in the vicinity.

In certain districts a homesteader in good standing may pre-empt a quarter-section alongside his homestead. Price \$2.00 per acre.

Duties—Six months residence in each of three years after entering homesteaded land; also 80 acres extra cultivation. Pre-emption patent may be obtained as soon as homesteaded patent on certain conditions.

A settler who has exhausted his homestead right may take a purchased homestead in certain districts. Price \$5.00 per acre. Duties—Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate 80 acres and erect a house worth \$200.

The area of cultivation is subject to reduction in case of roughness or stony land. Live stock may be utilized for cultivation under certain conditions.

W. W. COBY, Deputy Minister of the Interior.  
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Corner 5th Avenue and 5th Street  
Service every Sunday at 7:30  
Celebration of Holy Communion  
in every month.  
Rev. D. G. SCHORFIELD, M.A. Vicar

## Bassano Lodge

No. 55  
A. F. & A. M.  
Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday of Each Month,  
Via 1st Street always welcome.  
JOHN GOLDEN, W.M. R.H. STRUTHERS, Sec.

## BASSANO LODGE No. 59 I.O.O.F.

Meets every Thursday evening in  
Masonic Hall. All members of the order  
are invited to visit with us.  
W.G. PROSSER, R.G. J.W. TEGEDINE, S.

## FIRE ALARM CALLS.

Ward 1 (west of 4th St. and south of 4th Ave.)—Five bells, pause, then five more, etc.  
Ward 2 (West of Fourth St. and north of Fourth Ave.)—Six bells.  
Ward 3 (East of Fourth St. and South of 4th Ave.) Seven bells.  
Ward 4 (East of Fourth St. and North of Fourth Ave.)—Eight bells.  
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# NINE GOOD REASONS

## Why you should Subscribe to the Canadian Patriotic Fund to the extent of your ability

1. You owe to your country, and to the Empire of which we are a part, either to fight yourself or help to make it possible for others to fight in this supreme struggle.
2. As a Canadian you have enjoyed the protection and privileges of British Citizenship and have never yet been called upon in the defense of the Empire.
3. The Mother Country has for years, practically borne the burden of your protection alone.
4. In this hour of trial we desire Great Britain to realize that every Canadian is supporting and upholding her Cause.
5. The war in which we are engaged is a righteous cause, a struggle for Truth, Liberty and for the sacredness of Treaties and the given word.
6. If you can't go yourself, you can help to make it possible for others to go by guaranteeing that their families will be provided for in their absence.
7. The object of the Canadian Patriotic Fund is to make provision for ALL families of soldiers going from Canada to take part in the present war.
8. Those who have gone to the front are making greater sacrifices than anything we can do at home.
9. An unparalleled crisis in the world's history calls for supreme sacrifice on our part.

## We Must Do Our Duty. We Must Fight or Pay.

### FREE SAMPLES OF GRAIN WILL BE AGAIN SENT OUT

*Dominion Government Offers Aid To Farmers for the Crop of Next Year*

By instructions of the Hon. Minister of Agriculture a free distribution of superior sorts of grain and potatoes will be made during the coming winter and spring to Canadian farmers. The samples will consist of spring wheat (about 5 pounds), white oats (about 4 pounds), barley (about 3 pounds), and field peas (about 5 pounds). These will be sent from Ottawa.

A distribution of potatoes (in 3 pound samples) will be carried on from several of the experimental farms. The Central farm at Ottawa supplying only from the provinces of Ontario and Quebec.

Each application must be separate and must be signed by the applicant. Only one sample of grain and one of potatoes can be sent to each farm. If both samples are asked for in the same letter only one will be sent. Applications on any kind of printed form cannot be accepted.

The destruction by fire of the cereal building at Ottawa, which contained the grain-cleaning machinery and a large stock of seed grain for distribution, may make it necessary to curtail the distribution to a certain extent. We shall fill as many as possible of the applications which conform to the rules; but requests received after the end of December will probably be too late. Samples cannot be sent in response to applications (no matter when received) which fail clearly to state the needs of the applicant, his experience in crop raising, and the character of the soil on which he intends to sow the seed.

All applications for grain (and apple cuttings from the provinces of Ontario and Quebec for potatoes) should be addressed to the Dominion Cerealist, Central Experimental farm, Ottawa. Such applications require postage. If otherwise addressed, delay and disappointment may occur.

Applications for potatoes from farmers should be addressed (postage prepaid) to the Superintendent of the nearest branch Experimental Farm in that province.

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"We've had a twelve month now of war, but the end's not yet in sight, and the challenge comes to every man to either pay or fight. It's not the time to hump and haw, or air your holiday whines, it's up to you to see just now that the British Tommy wins. It's not the time to count on gain, or to latten up your purse, while your brothers fight to rid the world from a war-nud ruler's curse. The man who stays at home just now has got to foot the bill, and he just as well to the thing with a cheery British will. The man who leaves behind his home, his kin, who leaves behind his all, to put the black coats on and lead his country's call, he's made a sacrifice that's real, and the man who stays at home has got to bear his burden, he's got to have without a grinch or groan. It's not the time to count the cost or what the tax will be when the Empire's fate hangs on the issue in this fight for liberty. When strong men march away to war our fathers and our sons, to free a blighted Belgium from the curse wrought by the Hun, we've got to play the part of men, it's not the time to shake, we've got the blood of Wellington, of Nelson and of Drake. The call's gone forth, alike to small and great, if you can't go with the numbers you'll have to cut the bait."

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